

Sinclair Broadcasting's decision to impose an anti-Kerry documentary on their stations to air days before the election is outrageous and a clear example of the dangers of media consolidation.

Sinclair uses the public airwaves free of charge, and is obligated by law to serve the public interest. But when large companies control the airwaves, they can manipulate and use them to serve their own interest and to advance their political agenda. This is a blatant example of it. Instead, they should serve the community they get the free public waves from and provide real and substantive news about issues that matter.

Sinclair's actions show why we need to strengthen media ownership rules, not weaken them. They show why the license renewal process needs to involve more than a returned postcard. Thank you.